

# Parish Family News

### BAPTISMS

Patricia Roslyn Jacques Stephanie Elizabeth Pow

daughter of Harold and Julie daughter of Barry and Joan

### MARRIAGES

Brian Dawson Pow and Mary-Jo Anne Zacharuk Derek Watson Evans and Janet Elizabeth Dawson

### DEATHS

William Alexander McGillivray Lorraine Turpin

OUR VIETNAMESE FAMILY: 1984 was a good year for the Mach family. In August they became Canadian citizens and on Nov. 1st they moved into a home of their own. They have purchased a bungalow in Penbrook, off Memorial Drive.

Linb Hoa continues to work at the Four Season's Hotel. Nhat Vu is employed by an auto-electronics firm. They have four attractive daughters. Kim Hy has started Jr. High, Kim Dung is in Grade 5 and the two little ones, ages 4 and 2, are cared for by their grandmother.

After 5 years, the family now seems well established and well adjusted to their life in Calgary.

# 2 CONCERTS by the CHOIR

with special guest soloists

Saturday, March 2nd at 8.00p.m. & Sat. May 11th, 8.00p.m. at Christ Church

Sach, Glandel Scarlatti & Schultz.

Admission: \$4.00 one concert or \$7.00 for two

# interfaith food bank...

#### DID YOU KNOW?

- 1. -that the Calgary Inter-Faith Food Bank serves individuals as well as agencies throughout the city such as the Women's Shelter and the Calgary Drop-In Centre.
- 2. -that in 1984 the Food Bank has distributed a million and a half dollars worth of food in the form of hampers and in bulk to agencies.
- 3. -that donations of food with proof of purchase or invoice are like cash donations and are eligible for receipts for income tax purposes.
- 4. -that there are only 2 paid workers in the warehouse (overall co-ordinator and warehouse supervisor) and the rest of the staff work there on a voluntary basis.
- 5. -that someone in need can receive assistance only after receiving recommendation from a social worker or their clergy and that it is a "stop gap" measure only; that it does not replace welfare or any other support.
- 6. -that hampers contain food that is approved by the Department of Health as being a well balanced diet.
- 7. that the hampers are made up of specific portions depending on the size of the family involved.
- 8. -that during the fall, the Food Bank was advised of produce available in farmer's fields if they could provide people and equipment to go out and get it. As a result of one trip, 10,000 pounds of potatoes were picked and brought into the Food Bank for distribution to the needy.

The Calgary Inter-Faith Food Bank is run out of an old Safeway store in southeast Calgary. The Food Bank provides services to the Calgary area in an extremely efficient manner that is a credit to the people who work there. Besides the shelves that contain canned goods and staples, there are freezers and fridges containing eggs, dairy products and other perishables. Any perishables that come into the Food Bank are distributed as quickly as possible as the space for perishables is limited.

Volunteers are needed for the many jobs that need doing - making up hampers, stacking shelves. Saturday gleaning from stores and farmer's markets, sit down jobs of packaging (coffee, flour, sugar) from bulk to baggies, clean up - so if you can spare some time, the help would be much appreciated.

Hampers are delivered to various drop off points in Calgary where they are picked up by those who have requested help. The Food Bank has four vehicles for delivering the hampers with three paid drivers as well as volunteer drivers.

From a letter from Pauline Kay, Chairman of the Calgary Inter-Faith Food Bank:

"Please explain to friends and neighbours that food banking has a variety of facets. Individuals or groups can arrange to join in at any time in a regular basis or for one occasion. The warehouse telephone numbers are 263-5155 and 263-5225 and the office number is 228-5764. Your encouragement and enthusiasm will no doubt be passed on to grateful recipients. Do let us hear from you."

If anyone wishes to see Food Bank operations first hand they can visit during business hours;

Monday to Friday - 9.30 a.m. - 5.00 p.m. 510 - 8th Ave. S.E.

#### OUTREACH SUNDAY

On Sunday, February 17th at both the 9:30 and 11:00 a.m. services we will celebrate the fact that our parish life reaches out to the city, that it is involved in national issues and even world issues.

This will be expressed in a special way in the liturgy. Then after each service we are all invited downstairs to visit the many booths set up to give information about parish, city, national and world issues.

The whole morning is a companion to Homecoming Sunday which we have in September.

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The following article appeared in the December 1984 edition of the Anglican Messenger; by the Rev. Canon Allan Challacombe:

At the moment, many of our congregations are struggling with a relatively new departure from a long-established Anglican practice: the admission of baptized children to Holy Communion prior to Confirmation. In the past, Confirmation Classes have provided the context in which children were "prepared" to receive the Sacrament; all too often, in my opinion, that preparation has been largely a matter of learning certain facts about God and about the Christian Faith, rather than an invitation to Christian living, an introduction of life with Christ. Now that children may be admitted to Holy Communion before Confirmation, we face the question as to an appropriate way to prepare them for this privilege.

From much that I have heard and read, I fear that we may be in danger of making the same mistake we have so often made in Confir mation preparation - an approach to this preparation which seems to presuppose that unless they can UNDERSTAND what happens in the Sacrament, it won't, as we say, "do them much good"! I don't know about you, but I've studied theology and have been a priest for 30 years, and I don't understand what happens in Holy Communion; I sense with all of my being that it is the centre of my worship life and the source of grace and strength for my Christian living, but UNDERSTAND it? NO, and in this life I never will.

All of this is a preamble to a plea- a plea that we do not try to inflict a mini-confirmation course on young children before they are admitted to Holy Communion. I believe that they need to know what happened at the Last Supper when Jesus said, "Do this in remembrance of me"; I believe they need to see the Eucharist as the Christian Family Meal which nourishes them as the children of God, just as their bodies are nourished at the family table at home. I believe they need to see the reception of Holy Communion, as one of the most natural acts of Christian people, young and old, a weekly joy and privilege to enable us to grow and to become more like Christ. And that, I believe, is quite enough. In all of this, emphasis will of course be placed on "good table manners", on the necessity of

receiving the Sacrament with reverence and with thankful hearts. This preparation will ideally be given in the context of the family, and parents should be involved.

In closing, let me tell you a story. A four-year-old communicant in my own parish was asked a short time ago by one of her Sunday School class-mates what Holy Communion was all about. She answered as follows: "Jesus is so big that he can give us a part of himself every Sunday and never get any littler." I suggest to you that that little girl knows far more than many adults about the meaning of the Sacrament of Love.

SUNDAY SCHOOL: Enrolment of students is up by approximately twenty per cent. The next workshop for teachers and those interested will be held during March (topic entitled "The Ministry of Volunteers"). The Sunday School will be represented at Outreach Sunday on February 17th.

YOUTH CONFIRMATION: There is a class of twenty six. Boys and girls who have gathered on six occasions in the fall will gather again in February and March. A weekend is being arranged to gather them at Entheos in preparation for their confirmation. Confirmation will take place on Sunday, March 24th at the 11:00 a.m. service.

YOUTH FORUMS: So far six youth forums have been held, approximately twenty-five attending each time, and six more are planned; the next series beginning on February 17th under the direction of a team from the L'Arche Community.

BIBLE STUDY: Another sequence of Home Bible study groups is planned for the Lenten period. The Thursday morning Bible Study group held at the Church will continue into May.

<u>ADULT CONFIRMATION</u>: The basis of Adult Confirmation will be eight sessions held in January, February and March on Tuesday nights at 7:30 p.m., entitled "The Anglican Way" and "Our Contemporary Lord".



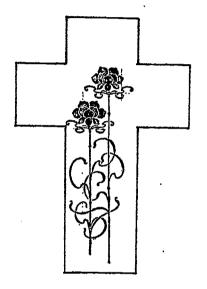
James Wilkes, in his book entitled "The Gift of Courage", tells us how, in his school days, when he first began to study science, he grew doubtful about the miracles recounted in the New Testament. This doubt increased during his medical school days. However he deliberately put these ideas aside, deciding they were not important to the faith. He says he lived in the shelter of that cocoon until he attended theological seminary and was exposed to Biblical criticism. There he discovered that Bible Stories had to be seen in a Theological context that is beyond factual history. The stories were written by fallible human beings. They are not a collection of facts but the unfolding of reality. We must look beyond the surface and seek the true meaning.

Dr. Wilkes is a practicing Toronto Psychiatrist. Unlike some of his colleagues, he feels religion plays an important place in mental' healing. When things are not going well for people, they often start questioning the meaning of life. It is then that religion and psychiatry can be combined to help them.

Dr. Wilkes claims that "evil" is not just a term used by religionists; evil is real. Psychiatrists may call it by many names; neurosis, immaturity and so on, but since it is the opposite of "good" it is evil. Evil is anything that is destructive to successful human living. It disorients people from what is real. The search for absolute security, certainty or perfection falls into this category. They are impossible to attain and therefore divert people from realistic aims and objectives. It takes courage to resist the temptation to demand these things and instead to turn one's attention to learning to face reality.

Religion, Dr. Wilkes believes, does not save one from the difficulties and problems of life. Religions that claim to do so are false. True religion teaches us to meet our problems with courage. Dr. Wilkes book is short, only 103 pages, but it is filled with thought-provoking ideas. His final sentence reads: "Because religion can open men and women to the gift of courage, it has profound consequences for mental health and for the shape of life itself."

Edith Hunter.



### THE LENTEN PROGRAMNE- PART OF THE PARISH PLAN

Several parishioners have asked for a short "history" of the Lenten programme and how it fits into the parish plan. We hope that the following will be helpful:

- \* The Lenten Wednesday evening Church Services began in the late 1960's:
- \* Guest speakers came occasionally during Lent as part of the adult education programme of the parish;
- \* The Pot Luck suppers were added to the Services in the 'mid 1970's;
- \* In the late 1970's, Bible Studies and occasional programnes followed the suppers;
- \* As a result of the Mission Study emphasis of Anglicans in Mission, the first formalized service, supper and programmes for adults, youth and children began in Lent 1983;
- \* Last year, 60-80 people attended the Services and suppers; 30-50 adults and 10-20 children participated in the programnes; 75 individuals were directly involved in the planning, co-ordinating and teaching over the six weeks;
- \* This year, the Lenten programme continues to be an integral part of Parish life, providing a time for worship. fellowship, learning and self-examination prior to the festival of Easter.



January 1985

SWAZILAND: In the 1970s Sister Thabitha Mary, a member of a religious community in the Southern African diocese of St. John's, was called to start a new community closer to an African style of life. She and another sister were accepted and given some land by the Bishop of Swaziland, and they immediately began to plough and produce food. They started a small poultry run and piggery, and did a lot of sewing. Seeing a need for a new primary school in the area, they negotiated with the local chief for the land, and built the school with their own money earned through farming and sewing. Sister Thabitha Mary died recently, in the midst of plans for an old people's home and a nursery school. Prayers are sought for new yocations to the order.

CARIBOO DIOCESE: Anglicans in Mission has enabled the formation of the Valemount and Area I.D.E.A. Centre in Valemount, B.C. I.D.E.A. stands for Information, Direction, Education and Assistance. The Centre is planned to bring members of the community together to work on common concerns and provide resources and counselling to support people who are struggling with social and economic needs.

PHILIPPINES: Father Isagani Fabito of the Philippine Independent Church visited Canada recently to share information about his church, with which the Anglican Church of Canada works as a Partner in Mission with the Council of the Church of East Asia. He says that lay people are now becoming more active in church affairs. 'We begin to realize what God has given us as Filipino people. There is a richness to our faith growing out of our Philippine experience. It is something we can share with you, our Canadian fellow Christians... The time has come when our partnership must go beyond the sharing of material resources to the sharing of personal gifts. We must share with one another our faith, our personal experiences, our work and our love.'

YUKON: Ellen Bruce, Lee Sax and Don Sax are lay ministers in charge of St. Luke's parish, Old Crow. They are all planning to be ordained to the diaconate in the spring. Ellen, aged 73, is a Loucheux Holy Woman. The church is the only one in the town, and it has a dedicated core of Native people, 'some of the strongest and most faithful Anglicans I have ever seen in my life,' Don says. 'We spend most of the time doing what they tell us to do,' helping with worship services, marriages, baptisms, funerals, and sharing in community service. Lee has been teaching accounting to some of the local women. A recent useful tool has been added — 'We sit in our wood heated house with its water barrel and cold outhouse, and play with our computer!'

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There is now a telephone answering unit in Christ Church. One of its uses will be over the weekend. Anyone who wishes to know details of the services can phone in and get them. There may be short periods during the week when the machine will be on when you phone. None of us find these machines particularly endearing but they make it possible, sometimes, for people to get at least some reply rather than, as they do allow a message to be left that can be responded to.

SOUND SYSTEM: The sound system now in use in the Church, which replaces the old and unreliable amplifier that served for many years, was installed for a total cost of approximately \$2,500.00. There are two new microphones and one wireless microphone, as well as two new speakers in the choir.

Having been involved to some small extent in this project, several people have approached me with offers to contribute towards this expense, with some \$300.00 already received.

If anyone is interested in donating towards the sound system would they contact me at the coffee hour, or contact the Church directly through the Church office.

Deryk Bodington 243-4995

THE CRUMP ROOM: Thanks to the photography of Deryk Bodington, a fascinating montage of photographs featuring the late Archdeacon Swanson (Swannie to many) hangs in the Crump Room just to the left of the door as you enter. Have a look at it.

Also a new photograph of past and present wardens hangs in the far right hand corner, just by the outside door.

## O'DRISCOLL'S ORATIONS

# The stuff of New Year's resolutions: In our self-doubting and frustrating lives, divine purpose makes possible a human tomorrow

saiah was a man who came to possess the most profound insight and sensitivity toward the human situation, because he was made to be profoundly aware of God. He "came to possess..." and "he was made to be...". I say that because he has told us of the shattering experience which molded him. In telling it to us across 20 centuries he also describes our contemporary experience.

In the year of King Uzziah's death I saw the Lord seated on a high throne (Chapter 6). To be alive today is to witness the deaths of "kings"—all these things which exercised unquestioned authority. Institutions, customs, life-styles, traditions, have experienced many kinds of dying, as have assumptions about human sexuality and roles, assumptions about the western world, about humanity's relationship with the planet.

Yet in this same searing age millions have come to see the Lord seated on a high throne. The awesomeness of the age has opened the possibility of renewed spirituality. It flows undeniably through modern life, calling people to a vision of a God no longer bland and domesticated for safe suburban weekend consumption but "enthroned" in the public domain of social justice, in sexual revolution, in bioethical challenges, in deep personal renewal.

His train filled the sanctuary... his glory fills the whole earth. Of course God has always been present in all of life. But the awesomeness of contemporary issues has forced us to recognize that they are all essentially "God" questions.

The foundations of the threshold

shook...the Temple was filled with smoke. All the "temples" that we erect, parliamentary systems, ecclesiastical systems, social systems, all tremble. Nothing is clear any more. The "smoke" of doubt, unsureness, ambiguity swirls, its darkest fumes chilling us with the possibility of meaninglessness and ultimate chaos.

I am lost, for I am a man of unclean lips, and I live among a people of unclean lips and my eyes have looked at the King... It is torn from our lips as a scream. Confronted by "death" on every side, yet aware of a vivid inner vision of hope, we feel trapped by two terrible realizations, that of our own personal inadequacy and that of the moral poverty of the society in which we live.

A live coal . . . has touched your lips, your sin is taken away . . . The scream is not denied. The self-doubt and self-leathing of our contemporary experience, the social alienation, all is accepted. But, quietly and simply, grace is offered. Our prayer should be that we can recognize the moment in daily life when the "live coal" is offered, through a friend, through a book, through a sacrament, through illness, through love, through many other things. One's personal ordinariness is a building block for the kingdom; the foundations of the kingdom's shining towers are rooted in the otherwise disheartening ambiguities, injustices and tragedy of contemporary society.

Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying "whom shall I send? who will be our messenger?" Only then can I even hear the call to serve. Until the realization of God's unqualified

acceptance brings me to self acceptance even the possibility of my being called seems ludicrous. Saints, spiritual giants, hierarchical figures, but not ordinary me! Until now. But now the voice can be heard. I who have been touched by a timeless grace am enabled to offer myself to my terrible century.

Until when, Lord? until towns have been laid waste and deserted, houses left untenanted, countryside made desolate, a great emptiness in the country, until it be stripped like an oak tree of which, once felled, only the stock remains. You and I as a generation may yet be called to face terrible consequences. Much has fallen in recent decades. The once might "oaks" of technology, of education, of capitalism and communism, bend before the present winds.

The holy seed...

In a single final phrase, tacked on with deceptive casualness, Isaiah gives the one reason which enables us to give ourselves to the demands of the present moment, no matter how shadowed and forbidding it be. What falls around us is being felled by the terrible axe of God to reveal the holy seed, the seed hidden in our present self doubt, our frustrating community life, groping spirituality, the seed which in the divine purpose makes the human tomorrow possible.

Scripture: Ephesians 6: 10-18

Hymn: There's a voice in the wilderness (Hymn Book 153)

(All quotations from The Jerusalem Bible)

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..... IN THE WORLD "

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POT LUCK SUPPER

PROGRAM FOR ADULT YOUTH WITH JOHN GUY

PROGRAM FOR CHILDREN WITH CHERYL SCOTT

WAS A STRANGER AND
YOU WELCOMED ME....

5:30 HOLY COMMUNION

POLLOWED BY

POT LUCK SUPPER

PROGRAM FOR ADULT-YOUTH WITH CARLOS VERA, JOSE LOPEZ AND LINDA VARGAS-TRANSLATOR PROGRAM FOR CHILDREN WITH WENDY LEITCH ANDREA O'ROURKE WAS A PRISONER AND
YOU VISITED ME....

5:30 HOLY COMMUNION FOLLOWED BY POT LUCK SUPPER

PROGRAM FOR ADULT - YOUTH WITH RICK STUART

PROGRAM FOR CHILDREN WITH BRENDA & JAMIE MACKIE

### A CHRIST CHURCH LENTEN PROGRAM

ONE CHRIST.... ONE WORLD.... HOW DO WE CARE?

WEONESDAY MARCH 13. 19

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YOU CLOTHED ME....
IN NORTHERN ALBERTA\*

5:30 HOLY COMMUNION FOLLOWED BY POT LUCK SUPPER

PROGRAM FOR ADULT - YOUTH WITH KEN STAROSZIK

PROGRAM FOR CHILDREN WITH MARTHA BALLEY

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5:30 HOLY COMMUNION FOLLOWED BY POT LUCK SUPPER

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PROGRAM FOR ADULT - YOUTH WITH HERB O'DRISCOLL

PROGRAM FOR CHILDREN WITH PENNY WHITE

WEDNESDAY MARCH 27/1985

DID IT FOR ME....

5:30 HOLY COMMUNION FOLLOWED BY POT LUCK SUPPER

PROGRAM FOR ADULT - YOUTH
JIM GLENDON, DARRYL WERNHAM, TRUDY WILSON
VIRGINIA CHURCH WITH GILL BURNS, MODERATOR

PROGRAM FOR CHILDREN WITH MARY JARDINE

### RESOURCE PEOPLE FOR ADULT- YOUTH PROGRAMS

- . THE REV. JOHN GUY UNIVERSITY CHAPLAIN; MEMBER, CALGARY UNITED NATIONS ASSOCIATION
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MRS. LINDA VARGAS - TRANSLATOR

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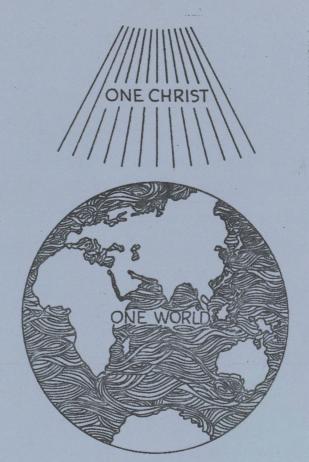
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MRS. GILL BURNS - PANEL MODERATOR

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- . MRS. WENDY LEITCH
- . MRS. ANDREA O'ROURKE
- . MR. JAMIE MACKIE
- . MRS. BRENDA MACKIE
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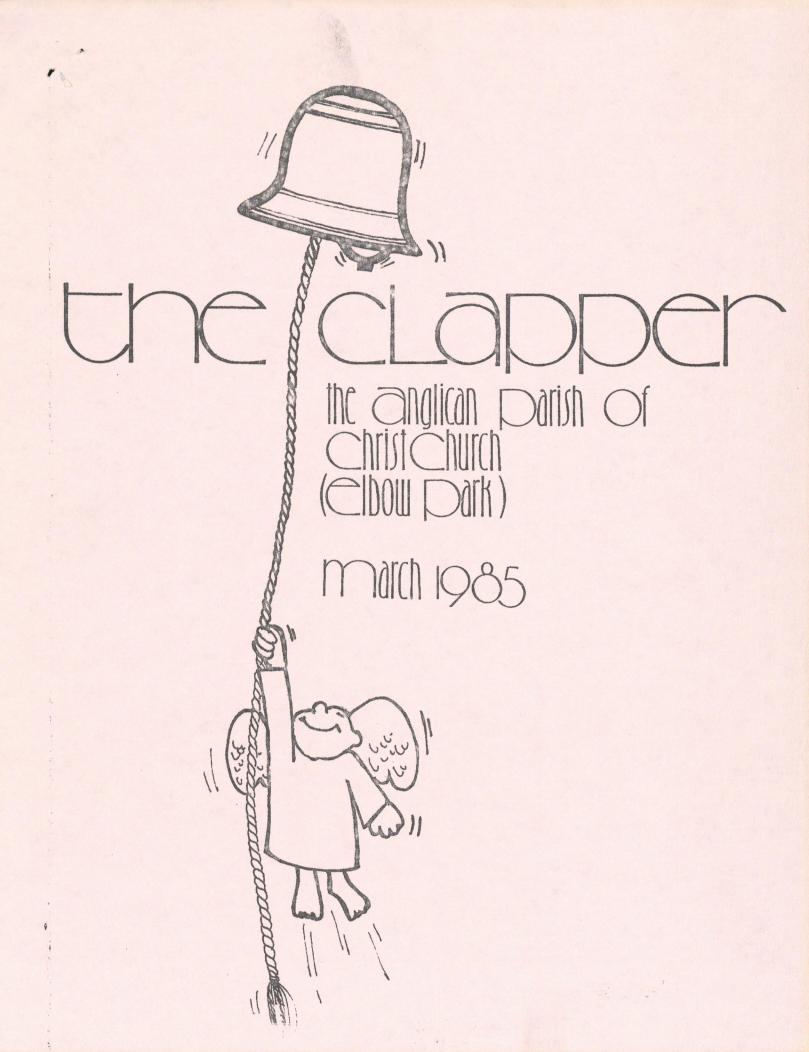


# HOW DO WE CARE? A CHRIST CHURCH LENTEN PROGRAM

FOR ADULTS - YOUTH AND CHILDREN

### FEBRUARY 20 -MARCH 27, 1985

- . & WEDNESDAY EVENINGS (580 8.15)
- · WORSHIP, POT LUCK SUPPERS, PROGRAMS
- · NURSERY PROVIDED DURING THE PROGRAMS
  (FOR CHILDREN UNDER 5)
- NEED A RIDE CALL ANN WILLIAMS 270-4309
- · MORE INFORMATION ? CALL THE CHURCH 243-0103



# Rector's Reflections

# Childhood experiences of life burn within us as timeless moments, to be mysteriously recalled, connecting past, present and forever.

came across it again lately, that great poem of Elizabeth Barrett Browning which begins "How do I love thee? Let me count the ways." Somewhere in those lines love is spoken of as something beyond even death. I suspect that when I first read that poem as a teenager such lines communicated little more than a passing romantic melancholy.

This time something more happened. The reading of it triggered a moment in childhood which had been laid away in the album of the past and for some reason was now released.

As a child I spent long and very happy summers on my grandfather's farm near Castlecomer in County Kilhenny, Ireland. When I was not yet into my teens my grandmother, who had for many years been the prisoner of rheumatoid arthritis, died, and in the custom of those days was buried in the churchyard.

It was also the custom of those days that such things happened without a child's involvement. My grandmother's death was a distant if mysterious event, seen with puzzlement only through the tears in my mother's eyes.

About two or three years later, summer having come again to the farm, I was there on holiday. There came a day when we were to visit relatives considered distant in that small island world. As we drove through the village and over the bridge I was in the back seat with my grandfather, my uncle and aunt in front.

As we drove past the gates of the gravelled driveway leading up to the churchyard where the summer grass

was high and green-gold in the sun, my grandfather, thinking he was unobserved, pressed his face against the window of the car and with a small hidden motion of his hand he waved.

Somehow I knew what he was doing. Our eyes did not meet. Nothing was said. I doubt that he realized I had noticed. But I have always been aware that for a boy it was a moment of gentle but immense growing. Like a traveller who comes suddenly to the edge of a great escarpment and sees a country vast and mysterious and lovely, I came to my first understanding of the majesty and the vulnerability of human love.

Scripture: I Corinthians 13

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Hymn: O Love that wilt not let me go (The Hymn Book, No. 192)

Near the ending of the flight the engines changed their song, the greatwing outside my window lifted far above me, the cabin tilted and we swung in a long languorous arc over the approaching city. Nothing unusual, of course, a moment perfectly familiar to you and to me, were it not for the fact that for a moment in our turning a Jacob's ladder of blazing sun streamed along the edge of the wing, leaped in through the oval window, bathed me in light and momentary warmth before passing on from traveller to traveller as the plane turned towards the south west.

I don't know why but it suddenly unlocked innumerable moments of afternoon sunlight. For some reason it was no time other than afternoons. It was not a dream of dawn or of high noons: It was specifically an awareness of a thousand afternoon, as if afternoon were a definable inner country in itself, fenced by jealous boundaries from the melodramatics and ecstasies of either sunrise or sunset.

I wonder if the loveliness of afternoon is that it is not the stuff of either beginnings or endings but rather a time for dwelling in, a time for a forbidden forgetting of time.

I can remember a certain large stone on which my two brothers and I struck successive attitudes of lofty kingship before being pulled down by one another. That game of "king of the castle" went on and on and I have no memory of the afternoon ever ending. Indeed perhaps it never did. Perhaps a child, by some gifted divinity unknown and lost to adulthood, has the power to make the sun stand still.

As I write I can recall one mention of the specific time of day in the Gospels. It is mentioned when two disciples of John the Baptist, haunted and captivated by one still a stranger to them, are invited to stay a while with him. Long after one of them recalled that it was about four o'clock in the afternoon. I suspect he recalled it as an afternoon which for him never ended, whose light and glory was impervious even to the terrible darkness of Calvary.

Scripture: John 1: 35-39

Hymn: For the beauty of the earth (The Hymn Book, No. 199)

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March 1985

CHURCH OF THE PROVINCE OF WEST AFRICA: A small history/geography note! In the February 1985 Mission Matters Notes, the Republic of Guinea was omitted from the list of countries. Guinea was formerly a territory in French West Africa, and became an independent republic in 1958. Guinea-Bissau, formerly Portuguese Guinea, declared independence in 1973.

MONTREAL DIOCESE: Proposal to found a hostel for women in Montreal was accepted by the Diocese of Montreal's Anglicans in Mission case, and in 1983 the board of directors and constitution of Auberge Madeleine were established by the Interchurch Social Services Planning Committee. L'Auberge will provide lodging for women who are needing short-term shelter and support for a variety of reasons. The diocese has designated ANGLICANS IN MISSION funds for this project. (There is more information about Auberge Madeleine in Needle's Eye, Winter 1985—newsletter of the Public Social Responsibility Unit, Anglican Church of Canada, 600 Jarvis Street, Toronto M4Y 2J6.)

MOCAMBIQUE: The cathedral of the Diocese of Lebombo has been reopened for worship after five years' banning by the government. Only the high altar and the bishop's chair remain. During the five years of closure all the furniture, altar linens and frontals, stations of the cross and cassocks disappeared. During those same five years, with services held in most difficult circumstances, the number of people of the worshipping congregation grew tremendously!

NASSAU AND BAHAMAS: Bishop Michael Eldon has designated 1985 as a year of teaching and renewal for this diocese which will be celebrating its 125th anniversary in November 1986. Five-year goals were drawn up by the parishes in 1981 — to be celebrated with thanksgiving in 1986. During this year of teaching there will be pamphlets, courses of sermons, seminars, Bible study, prayer groups and retreats, with special emphasis on Sunday Schools.

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A book called "Parenting for Peace and Justice", by Kathleen and James McGinnis, quotes the Second Vatican Council's "Declaration on Christian Education" in its introduction. It reads as follows:

"For it devolves on parents to create a family atmosphere so animated with love and reverence for God and people that a well rounded personal and social development will be fostered among the children. Hence the family is the first school of those social virtues which every society needs." This council was, of course, directing its advice to Roman Catholic parents, but the ideas are applicable to any Christian parents.

Kathleen and James McGinnis were teachers at the University of St. Louis. In 1970 they founded the Institute for Peace and Justice.

During the next few years they adopted three children, one of them black.

The book is a summary of their ideas on the guiding of children to successful adulthood. One thing the McGinnises feel is very important is to instil in children the idea of stewardship. The earth and what is on the earth is not theirs to treat as they choose, they tell the children. They are simply the stewards or custodians. This develops a sense of responsibility, even in the very young. The authors feel possessions loom too large in our ideas of what is necessary to successful living. So they emphasize the importance of "doing" rather than "having" as a way to happiness.

This is just a sample of the ideas that the book puts forward.

Many ideas can be incorporated into everyday family life.

to reflect upon the significance of Passover and to briefly compare this festival with Easter.

Last fall we looked at how Christian Eucharist found its roots in the Passover meal. But the observance of Passover and Easter are fundamental beliefs which identify us as being either of the Jewish faith or of the Christian faith.

The common theme of the two festivals is the gift from God of freedom and deliverance from bondage. When God delivered his chosen people from slavery in Egypt, he gave them the gift of freedom and the promise of a new land. Through the death and resurrection of our Lord, Christians are given the freedom from death and promise of eternal life. Christ died the death which is the result and penalty of sin, and he has thus released us from the need to die that death. He has reconciled us to God, and has freed us from the consequences of our sin, provided we are repentant.

Morris Joseph in his "Judaism as Creed and Life" sums up the theme of Passover as follows: "Passover has a message for the conscience and the heart of all mankind... It is Israel's, nay God's, protest against unrighteousness. Wrong, it declares, may triumph for a time, but even though it be perpetrated by the strong on the weak, it will meet with its inevitable retribution at last."

The two core elements in the Passover tradition are the festival of the Paschal Lamb and the festival of the unleavened bread. The festival of the paschal lamb had its origins prior to the Exodus, but it became identified with what happened in Egypt when God "passed over" the houses of the Children of Israel, sparing them the tenth plague, the death of the oldest son in each family. (Exodus Ch. 13) Similarly, the festival of the unleavened bread, an ancient agricultural festival, became associated with the hasty departure from Egypt

when there was no time to let the dough rise before baking. God instructed the children of Israel through Moses on the procedure for departure, and in the commemorative celebrations for future generations (Exodus Ch. 12). The Seder, or ritual meal for the first night of Passover evolved over time into the form it is today, adding other Ceremonies, symbolic foods, psalms and songs.

A central theme throughout Biblical history is the idea of covenant between God and man. Exodus Ch. 24 tells of the covenant between God and the Jewish people, sealed with the blood of sacrificed animals. Our Lord used the framework and tradition of Passover to institute and seal the new covenant of reconciliation. The blood of the lamb sacrificed to seal the old covenant now is the blood of Christ, sacrificed to seal the new covenant. As well, Christ now becomes the paschal lamb whose blood was smeared on the doors of the Children of Israel to save their firstborn from death. His blood has ransomed us from sin and death. Our Paschal Candle symbolizes both the old and the new freedom.

Passover and Holy Week are both eight days duration, but Christians relive the death and resurrection of our Lord at every Eucharist. In a sense, every Sunday is Easter.

Deanne Cronin



SOUTH AFRICAN TO SPEAK AT CHRIST CHURCH: Joyce Seroke, National Director of the Y.W.C.A. in South Africa, will speak at Christ Church on Tuesday, April 23, at 7.30.p.m.

Mrs. Seroke is a black woman who has been imprisoned for her political activities. She will discuss the racial situation and her personal experiences in South Africa.

Mrs. Seroke's visit to the Calgary Diocese is being sponsored by the national Anglican Church. She will also visit the Athabasca Diocese and the Lubicon Indian Band.



### A CELEBRATION OF THE BAROQUE

1985 is a special year as the world celebrates the births of four great composers, whose music is better known and more loved today than it was even in their own day. The works of Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750), George Frideric Handel (1685-1759), Domenico Scarlatti (1685-1757) and HeinrichSchutz (1585-1672) are resounding everywhere in concert halls and churches the world over. To mark this special celebration, the choir of Christ Church is offering two concerts, the first of which was heard on Saturday, March 2, 1985.

This concert was devoted to the works of Bach. It is a testament to the timelessness of Bach's genius that, after 300 years, we continue to learn, perform and admire his works. After a Bach concert given by Mendelssohn in 1840 at St. Thomas' Church in Leipzig, where Johann Sebastian had been music director until 1750, Robert Schumann, who was present for the occasion in the role of journalist wrote this review:

Would that I could describe last evening in these pages in golden letters: It was a concert for men, and a good thing from beginning to end. Again I thought how we are never at an end with Bach, how he seems to grow more profound the more often he is heard...

These comments seem as appropriate today as they were over one hundred years ago. And what better setting to hear music written to the glory of God than in His Church. The Choir, under the direction of John Searchfield was superb. What a treat for guests and visitors unaccustomed to the musical excellence that we hear (indeed - almost take for granted) each week. Two cantatas were presented by the Choir.

The first, Cantata No. 79, is from the last years of Bach's career when he was Cantor at St. Thomas School in Leipzig, and where regular composition of cantatas was an integral part of his duties. This one was written for the Lutheran Reformation Festival of October 31, 1725, and it contains many reformation references, such as God as the symbolic shield against false beliefs. It also contains the well known and much loved chorale, Now Thank We All Our God, sung in spacious phases which are punctuated by free organ accompaniment.

The second cantata, No. 106, was written for a funeral and dates from 1707, when the young Bach served as organist at Mulhauser. The cantata is a reflection on the nature of man's mortality and is full of musical symbolism. Both cantatas were sung with great expression, and one never ceases to be impressed by the power and dignity of the German chorales.

In addition, the program included two excerpts from other cantatas. Particularly moving was the popular selection from Cantata No. 208, Sheep May Safely Graze, beautifully sung by contralto Paula O'Driscoll.

Also featured on the program were two pieces for flute; one, Partita in A Minor for unaccompanied flute, a beautiful little gem in four parts, beautifully played by Johanna DeLong, and the other, Sonata in A Minor, for flute and organ, a particularly attractive combination of musical sound. Flutes were also used with organ to accompany the cantatas and for this, Johanna was joined by Jeannie MacDonald, who is also a regular member of the Choir.

The program included one major organ work, the Prelude in E flat major, an extensive and difficult work with strong, clear melodic phrases. This piece was also played by Mendelssohn in the concert referred to above, and he later wrote his family:

I practised for eight days before, so that I could scarcely stand up straight on my feet any longer and walked along the street only in pedal passages....

Margaret Newman, our assistant organist, gave a brilliant, and seemingly effortless performance, admirably demonstrating her own great skill, as well as the beauty and suitability of Christ Church's organ for the baroque repertoire.

The concert provided a totally satisfying musical evening. It is the Christian faith that inspired and nourished the imagination of Bach to write such marvelous music. It seems appropriate that the Christian Church would continue that tradition three hundred years later, and preserve that heritage for our enjoyment and edification today.

If you were unfortunate enough to miss the first concert, mark your calendar now for the second one, on Wednesday, May 22, when the other three composers included in the celebration will be featured. Oh, and tell a friend - this is just too good an opportunity to miss:

Lawrence Gracie.

# Treasurer's Report

To be able to report a \$14,000 surplus was very gratifying for me. The congregation had responded so positively to the financial part of our parish life. We were also able to retire the roof loan in Jan. 1985.

We always use December 31 as our measuring stick for annual reports and budgets. Our financial needs and responsibilities, however, are day to day and show little interest in the calendar year. Christ Church is not a business, we are a family. A family should plan for the future, setting aside funds for retirement, renovations to propert, or unexpected emergencies. Borrowing funds to cover day to day expenses is not a good habit to develope.

The surplus at December 31, 1984 is simply the unencumbered cash we have in the bank. When receipts go below expenditures as they usually do between January and September, the surplus disappears. We don't know whether or not we will have a surplus until after the Christmas rush.

We can budget for expenditures knowing we have a surplus from the prior year. The difficulty is knowing when we can safely spend the cash without having to go to the bank. We shouldn't spend money we don't have.

The moral of this story is that it is better for you to plan your offering and Christ Church to plan receipts on a weekly or monthly basis rather than annually.

Ron Little

In response to current public concern about abortion, the House of Bishops of the Anglican Church of Canada has expressed its continuing support for the position previously stated by the Church.

The Bishops draw attention to a statement presented in 1967 to the Federal Standing Committee on Health and Welfare on behalf of the Anglican Church of Canada.

"We assert the general inviolability of the foetus and defend, as a first principle, its right to live and develop. We lay the burden of proof to the contrary on those who, in particular cases, wish to extinguish that right on the ground that it is in conflict with another right having a greater claim to recognition...We recommend that the only grounds justifying abortion to which the criminal code should refer should be serious threat to the life or health of the expectant mother...In cases where abortion is not indicated, the expectant mother should be given access to the skilled supportive services which can afford her the encouragement and help which she may need to continue the pregnancy and care for the child."

The House feels strongly that this statement expresses its mind at the present time and is the position from which further discussion of the issue should proceed.

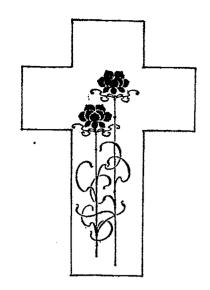
The Bishops also draw attention to the resolution adopted in 1980 by

the General Synod of the Anglican Church of Canada:

"That this General Synod, in proclaiming a Gospel of Life and Hope and Compassion for all of God's people, rejects the principle of abortion on demand or for the reasons of convenience or economic or social hardship, and commits itself to strong support of:

- a) such educational programs in the Church and comparable secular agencies which exist or may exist in the future for family life, birth control and social responsibility;
- b) effective action to provide skilled counselling for families and individuals facing unwanted pregnancy;
- c) community responsibility to ensure adequate practical help in the care and nurture of children."

This resolution is the official position of the Anglican Church of Canada.



### HUNGRY AT A POT LUCK SUPPER?

Not too often, and surely not at a Christ Church Lenten programme supper:

A few weeks ago, about a dozen people sat at a "North American" white-table-clothed, canle-lit table with <u>all</u> the pot luck food. The other six dozen sat at bare, crowded tables with bowls of rice (Asia), tacos and beans (LatinAmerica), and cornmeal mush and bananas (Africa).

The seats were drawn by lot - as is our chance of being born here (or in Asia, Latin America or Africa).

The dinner was an attempt to experience even for a few minutes:

- \* Hunger (after a small bowl of rice)
- \* Anger (at seeing the food you'd produced somewhere else)
- \* Frustration (not knowing how to change things)
- \* Guilt (how to share all this food)
- \* Inequality
- \* Overcrowding
- \* Sense of manipulation

One woman at the North American table shared with the table behind almost immediately. One man, determined not to eat mush, helped himself from the North American table. Several of the children at the third world tables were sent by their parents to beg at the North American table, and hopefully would bring back enough for the family to share.

Many were complacent with their lot and it seemed to take some time for much action to happen. There were grumbles: "All we get is rice; there must be some mistake; something is wrong with the way the kitchen crew laid out the food." One "North American" was overheard to insist

on helping her/himself before sharing the food - after all she/he was North American:

One couple who arrived late, tried to sit with friends at the Overcrowded Asian table. They finally found seats at the spacious North American table only to be greeted with, "You must be recent immigrants to this country?" In the end, everyone had lots of food, once the sharing took place in earnest.

It was quite a dinner. But the reality is, as we continue to over-eat at heaping tables, millions around us go hungry.

The Lenten programme is an attempt to re-examine Matthew 25; 31-46. Hopefully, we will be able to count ourselves with the "sheep."

Jesus said, "What you do for the least of them, you did for me."

Caroline Brown.

# interfaith food bank...

Calgary Interfaith Food Bank needs a coordinator in Christ Church to see that our food donations reach the Bank. Weekly drivers are already in place, only a coordinator (and occasional driver) is needed.

Please call Caroline Brown if you can help (days 228-5765, evenings 243-1417).

HELP WANTED. BRIDGEHEAD., the organization that sells coffee, tea, cashews etc. directly from the third world, needs a contact person in Christ Church as soon as possible. For further details, please call Caroline Brown (days:228-5765, evenings: 243-1417)



So far in 1985, we have enjoyed two outings. In January we spent a few hours skating in Bowness Park enjoying the cold clear sunny weather and the warmth of the bonfire. Many thanks to the Ramseys for hosting refreshments in their home after our excersions. February saw another winter

outing - this time for cross-country skiing in Kananaskis. Again it was a beautiful day; scenery, company and exercise were all great. We now look to Spring and Easter. On Good Friday, Entheos Lodge will be hosting its annual open house, so our next "Hike/walk" will be at the Entheos Centre on the afternoon of Good Friday - April 5th. It is lovely to spend Good Friday afternoon in the peaceful grounds of the Centre. The next walk will be along the Bow River in the area of Point McKay and Edworthy Park. Benita Hasslett has very kindly offered to host refreshments following this walk scheduled for Sunday May 26th; meet at Benita's home, 320 Pt. McKay Gardens at 2.00 p.m. (phone 283-1315).

Everyone is very welcome to come on any of our outings. If you need a ride or more information, please call

Katie Tait 249-9900

### Congratulation!

On Sunday evening, Feb. 3, Paula O'Driscoll gave a vocal recital to raise money for the Primate's World Relief Fund. Accompanied by pianist Inge Ripkor, she presented a most enjoyable program of Handel, Bach, Brahms, Fleming and Gluck, and closed the recital with a group of Irish Folk songs. The evening was very well attended and raised over \$1100. to be used for relief work in Etheopia and elsewhere.

TO: ALL RECTORS, CHURCH WARDENS, & CHURCH TREASURERS
ANGLICAN CHURCH OF CANADA, DIOCESE OF CALGARY

Arrangements are complete for Theology Alive 1985, and we encourage you to have as many of your parishioners as possible attend this annual event. It has been found that these few days in Banff add ENRICHMENT and SPIRITUAL RENEWAL to the life of each person.

The conference opens on Thursday evening, October 17, 1985, at the Banff Springs Hotel and will close after lunch on Sunday, October 20. Registration fees and room rates will be subsidized by the Theology Alive Committee; the costs to you will be as follows:

REGISTRATION - Each delegate \$ 50.00

ROOM & MEALS - Double occupancy:
\$55.00/person/night
Total for 3 nights \$165.00
Total for Conference, including registration \$215.00
Single occupancy:
\$80.00/person/night
Total for 3 nights \$240.00
Total for Conference, including registration \$290.00

Limited funding is available for those who require assistance. Please contact the Registrar.

(Gratuities are included in both these rates)

The speakers for Theology Alive 1985 are:

The Very Reverend James Cruikshank, Rector of Christ Church Cathedral, Vancouver; Dean of New Westminster; and former Director of Sorrento Centre.

Reverend John Perry, Warden of Lee Abbey, Lynton, North Devon, England.

Deadline for payment of fees will be September 10, 1985; however, we would prefer to have the payments prior to June 30, 1985. We know that each of you recognizes the value of this conference, and we look forward to receiving your applications.

Yours in Christ.

Sharen Stevenson, Registrar 2108 - 51st Avenue SW Calgary, AB T3E 139

TELEPHONE: 243-9804

Office: 276-9881, Lo. 7584

(2:00-3:30 p.m.)

# sunday school

### WANTED: MORE TEACHERS

Did you know that a number of Sunday School teachers will be leaving at the end of May?

WE NEED YOUR HELP

QUALIFICATIONS : LOVE OF CHILDREN

LOVE OF CHRIST SENSE OF HUMOUR

That's really all you need:
Call Wendy Leitch at the Christian
Education office; 243-0103

243-7324



CHURCH OFFICE OVERIOAD MANY THANKS!!! To all who have been helping in the church office. We are still looking for helpers especially typists. If you can afford any time at all please call:

Judy Griffiths

255-4624

Sue Johnsen

243-0103

There is about to be created a special work area on the main floor, for volunteer office help and staff alike.

We will be holding a spring social evening for all office aid volunteers on May 28.

BAPTISMS

Peter Andrew Ross

Rvan Alexander Muir

Wilma Monkman

Jacob Allen Roy Thompson

Skye Leslie Friesen

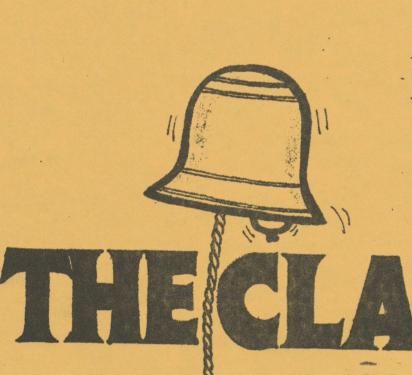
MARRIAGES

Brian George Thomas and Georgie Karen Ryan
Brad William Almond and Esther Noe
Allan Abraham and Kathleen Elizabeth Gillard

DEATHS

Lucy Adele Jardine

Margaret Jane Fraser Thompson





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### Anglicans in Mission - Overseas Allocations to February 1985

In 1984, total funds allocated for work overseas work by the world Mission Sub Committee amounted to \$543,197.

There are four categories of overseas spending: Developing Indigenous Ministry; Strengthening Christian Communities; Undergirding Regional Initiatives; Supporting Physical Resources.

In 1984 amounts were allocated as follows:

Developing Indigenous Ministry - \$205,982 Strengthening Christian Communities - \$127,200 Undergirding Regional Initiatives - \$105,333 Supporting Physical Resources - \$104,682.

Here are some examples of projects:

### Developing Indigenous Ministry (Africa)

Study grants - for the Rev. Canon Mac Baker Ochola from the Diocese of Northern Uganda at the College of Emmanuel and St. Chad in Saskatoon.

Student travel grants - for the Rev. M. Akinyemi from Nigeria who has finished studies at Vancouver School of Theology.

Student shipping expenses - for the Rev. George Tibeesigwa who has returned to Uganda after 3 years of study at Emmanuel and St. Chad in Saskatoon.

Study grant - for the Rev. Ciakudia Ciakalou from the Diocese of Bukava studying at Montreal Diocesan College.

Leadership Training - through Christian Students Council, Kenya, by means of seminars and workshops.

St. Nicholas Seminary, Cape Coast, Africa - to support the only Anglican Theological College in the Province of West Africa in its task of training candidates for priesthood.

Study grant - for the Rev. Ayaub Gafour from the Episcopal Church of the Sudan in his final year at Trinity College, Toronto.

Zomba Theological College, Diocese of Southern Malawi - to give financial assistance to students and their families in their adjustment to the closing of the College due to lack of funds.

St. Andrew's Institute for Mission and Evangelism, Diocese of Mt. Kenya

East - towards building up a resource library for ordinands and clergy.

The Church in Zimbabwe (four dioceses) - a contribution towards the formation of a Lay Training Centre.

World Council of Churches - Document 'Baptism, Eucharist and Ministry' for group study at the local level with representatives of various denominations in Zimbabwe.

St. Bede's Theological College, Umtata, Church of the Province of Southern Africa - a grant towards books and furnishings for this training centre dedicated to mining the "rich vein of ore" which is the undeveloped ministry of Southern African Blacks.

Theological Education by Extension in Malawi - an interdenominational attempt to meet the need for theological lay training in congregations and in-service training for full-time church workers.

St. Paul's United Theological College, Kenya - for the support of an African tutor.

Study grant - for the Rev. Samuel Agviri-Kvereme, Chaplain of St. Monica's Training College, Mampong-Ash, Ghana, to enable him to take a correspondence course leading to a Bachelor of Divinity degree from London University.

Study grant - Stanley J. Mtembezi, Tanzania, for study at the College of Emmanuel and St. Chad towards a Master of Divinity degree.

### :loping Indigenous Ministry (Asia/Pacific)

Church of North India Leadership Development Program - to assist the Dioceses of the Church of North India in training grassroots church leaders to adopt developmental perspectives of mission.

Philippine Independent Church - to support the work of the National Priest's Organization in its continuing education program for clergy, laity and bishops.

Study Grants - for the Rev. John Lee of St. Michael's College, Anglican Church of Korea to study for a Doctor of Theology degree at The Toronto School of Theology.

Association for Theological Education in South East Asia (Serving 52 theological institutions in 12 countries in South East Asia) - a contirbution towards a Workshop on Mangaement and Accountability in Theological Education to expose theological education to basic management principles and administrative practices.

Church of North India - a grant to assis the Church of North India in its Synod projects such as theological education and diocesan projects such as evangelism.

Burma Council of Churches - a grant to assist the Council in developing programs of leadership nurture and development.

Pacific Theological College, Suva, Figi - to assist the college in its program to provide theological education for women, accommodation for married students, extension courses and facilities for part-time students.

### Developing Indigenous Ministry (Latin America/Caribbean)

Pastoral Training Program - a grant to assist in providing opportunities for clergy to upgrade their academic qualifications and acquaint themselves with new trends of thought without expenses of residence abroad.

Alan Knight Training Centre, Diocese of Guyana - a grant to assist in the operating expenses of this training centre designed to lead catechists to ordination.

Ecumenical Youth Camps - a grant has been made to assist in meeting the costs of organizing 3 camps of 100 persons each which will bring together youth of different denominations to reflect on what it means to be a Christian in today's Ecuadorian society.

# Strengthening Christian Communities, Undergirding Regional Initiatives and Supporting Physical Resources

Grants have been made for the following projects:

Community Task Force Workers: Relocation Ministry, Dioceses of Grahamstown, Bloemfontein, Pretoria, Johannesburg, Church of the Province of Southern Africa - to give support to community workers who are ministering to some of the millions of blacks who have been uprooted and moved to different areas by the Government of South Africa as it pursues its apartheid policies.

Staff housing - for the Council of Swaziland Churches. Acute housing problem in Swaziland has made this a priority for the Council.

### Church Development co-ordinators.

Guest house for Christian Council of Tanzania - to contribute to the cost of a guest house to provide accommodation for church visitors from 'up-country' and overseas.

Office Equipment, Diocese of the Lundi, Province of Central Africa - Diocese of the Lundi is one of 3 new dioceses in Zimbabwe created after independence. None of the new dioceses had any resources to begin with.

St. Nicholas Theological Seminary, Cape Coast, Ghana - support for the construction of college buildings.

Partners in Mission Consultation, Kampala, Uganda, held in February 1985 - towards anticipated petrol costs of U.S. \$5,000.

House Furnishings and a Vehicle - for the Rev. Pat Lee and his family serving in the Diocese of West Buganda, Uganda.

All Africa Council of Churches, Nairobí, Kenya - to assist in 1984 integrated budget; general secretariat, research and development, personnel, finance, properties and communications.

Council of Churches in Namibia - 1984 budget assistance.

Diocese of Gambia/Guinea, West Africa - for a shipment of French Prayer Books.

Dioceses of Lebombo and Niassa, Mozambique - for their work in providing pastoral care and witness to the Gospel against a background of social ferment and political unrest.

Church of the Province of West Africa - to assist in funding a Planning and Research Officer for the Province for 2-3 years to survey the human, physical and financial resources of the 10 provinces of West Africa.

<u>Diocese of Southern Malawi</u> - for a motorcycle and parts for a parish priest with several out-stations at some distance from each other.

Diocese of Cape Coast, Ghana - for a photocopier to be used by students of St. Nicholas Theological College and the diocese.

St. Michael's Theological College, Seoul, Korea - to assist in major upgrading of building (six class rooms and a reading room).

Christian Conference of Asia/World Student Christian Federation - to assist in funding a joint program sponsored by the Christian Conference of Asia and the World Student Christian Federation for closer collaboration between churches and Student Christian Movements in training people for service.

International Ecumenical Consultation on Peace and Justice in North East Asia - to assist in the funding of this consultation growing out of the World Council's Assembly in Vancouver.

Asia Youth Assembly, Delhi, India - a contribution towards travel expense of Suzanne Rumsey and Philip Paul from Edmonton. Suzanne is a member of the Youth Unit and Philip is a member of the National Program Committee.

Philippine Independent Church - Philippine Episcopal Church - to enable leaders from the PIC and PEC dioceses of the region to meet to develop mission strategies.

National Commission of Social Justice and Human Rights of the Philippine Episcopal Church - to hold a consultation to consider the effects of new land laws on tribal congregations in Northern Luzon and Southern Mindanao.

<u>Sri Lanka Christian Experimental Organization</u> - to assist this group in its efforts to build an Oriental orchestra and choir, to introduce drama as a part of worship and to build awareness of social questions.

The Rev. Peter and Ann McCalman Sabbatical - to support living expenses of the McCalmans in India during a short study period at the Christian Institute for Sikh Studies.

Christian Institute for the Study of Religion and Society - to assist with the costs of a consultation between church leaders and social activists to

search for a common theological framework within which both groups can participate in mission.

National Council of Churches Commission for Justice and Peace, Sri Lanka - to assist in the funding of a full-time secretariat to conduct the ecumenical network of the churches in matters concerning justice and peace.

Church of South India - Priorities, 1984 - ongoing support of the Church of South India priority programs of relief and development, pastoral aid and communication department development.

Burma Council of Churches 1985 Program Activities - for programs of ecumenical co-operation in developing leadership.

Iliolo Renewal and Evangelism, Philippine Independent Church - to support Bible study groups in Iloilo City and surrounding rural areas and the training of local leaders for follow-up.

Korea Christian Broadcasting System - to help finance a Christian radio network prohibited in 1980 from receiving advertizing revenue.

Kilikali Youth Centre, Nukualcfa, Tonga, Diocese of Polynesia - to assist in construction of a youth centre for Bible study, debates, social gatherings and education programs.

Caribbean Conference of Churches / Church and Society Unit, Bridgetown, Barbados - to assist this unit in its work on human rights with migrants and refugees, and in theological colleges.

Caribbean Conference of Churches - "Fashion Me a People" - to complete the production of an Ecumenical Christian Education Curriculum.

Southern Cone Interdiocesan Exchange Program, South America - to allow key leadership of the new province of the Southern Cone to come in contact with work in other Anglican dioceses and thus broaden their understanding and vision of the whole Anglican Mission.

Episcopal Church of Cuba - Vehicle Purchase - to buy a vehicle badly needed by the church to carry out its work outside of Havana.

Episcopal Church of Cuba - Program Budget - to fund seminars, workshops and consultation issues such as "The Christian Family in a Socialist Society" and "The Social Responsibility of Christians".

"Anglicanos" - a contribution towards the cost of publishing "Anglicanos", a publication in Spanish, designed to share with Spanish and Portuguese-speaking Anglicans, the missionary works of the worldwide Anglican communion.

Christian Youth Centre, Cost Rica - to assist in an effort to stimulate more youth participation in the life of the churches in Costa Rica as Christians committed to the people.

Youth Officer, Diocese of Nassau and the Bahamas - to help provide a ministry responsible for career guidance and counselling on drug and alcohol abuse among young people.



We are delighted to welcome to Christ Church the following people who have recently joined the church:

Ruth & Hugo Idler
Robert & Brenda Simmonds
Charles Eastly
Peter Huggard
John & Rita Jackson
Michael & Debra Curtis
Liam & Mary Cristie
Bob & Lucile Edwards
Ian Grove
Robert & Elsa Jackson
Freda Newman
Garnet & Florence Page
Laurence & Doreen Pan
Francis & Linda Saville
David Wallace

Judy Archer

Doug Ash

Carolyn Baldwin

Gwen Beddoe

Albert & Susan Berti

Belinda & Thomas Boleantu

Rhoda Braithwaite

Cynthia Carlisle

Joan & Norman Gish

Danielle Melchior

Kay Novinger

Mark Perrin

Beverlee Safronek

David & Judith Tilston

Peter & Norma Wiseman

LADIES SELF-DEFENSE COURSE conducted by Brian Bell.

Ladies: Are you interested in a course on Self-Defense? Kindly indicate your interest by placing your name on the list in the hall entrance or phone DOROTHY - 243-0893. The date will be announced.

Dorothy McLachlan

1916 - 2 Street S.W., Galgary, Alberta, Canada T2S 183 (403) 228-5739

# Sunclay School

SUNDAY SCHOOL offically ends on June 2nd with the children's year end party. Children will meet in the Crump Room and, oremos asset goderddogs weather permitting, will engage in outdoor activities. It should be lots of fun, so please try to attend.

"Wineskins and Patches" Seminar will be held in Edmonton,

June 12 - 19th. The seminar will deal with Christian Education
in a Canadian Context. Call Wendy Leitch to register.

Christ Church is most fortunate to have a growing Sunday School population; because of this, we need more teachers.

Presently, most teachers rotate their schedules and teach one Sunday per month.



The qualifications remain

the same - love of children,

love of Christ, and

a sense of humour.

Please telephone the

church office, 243-0103,

if you are interested.



### SAWDAP

The South Alberta World Development Animation Project (SAWDAP) is a development education program which is sponsored by Calgary Inter-Faith. This project has for its mandate the aim of providing assistance to the churches of Calgary and southern Alberta in deepening and broadening their commitment to a fuller understanding of Third World development.

SAWDAP attempts to meet the need of providing a Christian perspective on the whole question of development and the response of Christians to that question. This project has been able to challenge Christians with the demands of world development presently; as well as provide them with some Christian understanding of that process, and assist them in responding to these demands out of the Christian vision.

The SAWDAP animateur is able to provide information on various Third World Development issues, as well as information on resources and resource people. If you wish to learn more about SAWDAP, or are interested as a group or individual in Third World development contact Caroline Brown for further information. (228-5739)

"Christian faith does not separate us from the world but rather submerges us in it; the Church is not an elite but rather a follower of that Jesus who lived, worker, struggled and died in the midst of the city, the polis."

Archbishop Oscar Romero



Once again the Lenten Programme has come and gone.

Over 80 people helped make the series a success- impossible to thenk them all, but a few deserve special recognition:

Lloyd Wilson, for his graphics; Barb Morin, the Children's Programme Coordinator; Judy Griffiths, the Supper Coordinator; Colleen Brown, the Nursery Coordinator; and for their tremendous help; Philip Woodgate, Stephen Brown Jr., Paula O'Driscoll, Mollie Mainman, Barbara Moroney, John and Ruth Lund, Tim Yates, Gill Burns, Linda Vargas, Diane Walton, Billie and Fred Scott; and the Church staff; Herb O'Driscoll, Bob Griffiths, Sue Johnsen, Mike Zietz, and Wendy Leitch.

The Kitchen crews looked after almost 450 diners. Over 260 adults and 70 children attended 6 educational programmes, while 27 wee ones were looked after in the Nursery. Five other parishes joined with us at various times.

The cost of the whole programme was just over \$3006...
Of 81 evaluations received over the 6 weeks, 69 responders rated the programmes 6 or 7 out of 7. (Herb's presentation drew one 8 out of 7.)

The services, fellowship of the dinners, and enthusiastic response to the educational programmes, made the six-week programme very worthwhile.

Should we "do it again" next year?

Caroline Brown





# HOW DO WE CARE? WHAT SHOULD WE DO?

Each night of the Lenten Programme, comments were made to the "How Do We Care?" board. The statements, "quotes" were, as follows:

- my conscience is hurting
- \* problems become overwhelming, even though we care
- \* neglect of my family means a neglected world
- \* Love our children; teach them the faith
- \* open our minds and hearts
- \* pray for where God would have us work
- \* pray for awareness and consciousness raising
- \* learning helps us to be leaven to raise change in our world
- \* genocide can be blatent or subtle

## Specifically:

- \* Our outreach must link with the Spanish Evangelical Church.
- \* Support (financially and morally) refugee groups as a Christ Church project.
- \* Now that we know, tell others; work for peace.
- \* Possibility of bringing in domestic help who can apply for immigrant status after 2 years .
- \* Embargo on South African goods.
- \* What are South Africans saying? Compassion has to mean learr each others language.
- \* U.N. is going to have to support black South African majority
- \* Petition the Provincial and Federal governments to save the Lubicon people (land and heritage); change the government's attitude; improve health and education.
- \* Listen to others.
- \* Pray for people in these situations. Be a voice for those who are silenced.
- \* Give through the Primate's World Relief and Development Fund.

Watch for up-coming <u>Clappers</u> for more information and action suggestions for world outreach concerns.

#### CHERUB NURSERY

The Cherub Nursery volunteer committee met recently and decided that the Nursery can be improved both from a safety aspect and an aesthetic point of view. donations are, therefore, being requested from the congregation. In particular, the nursery needs:

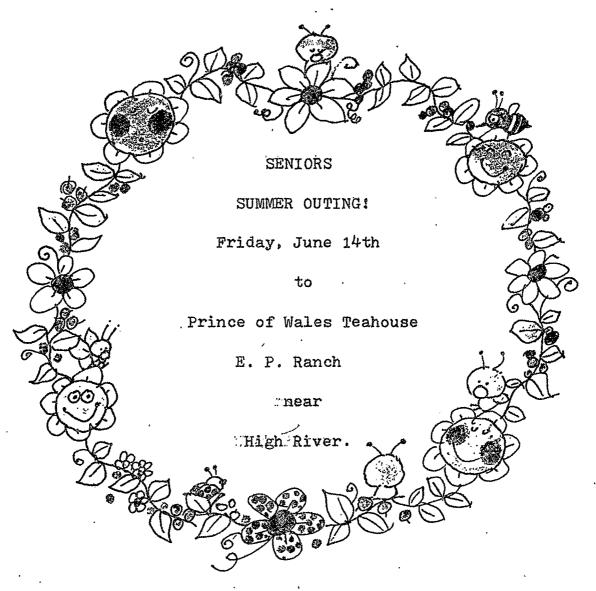
- 1. Ice cream pails with lids
- 2. Mobiles and kites
- 3. Rocking chairs (any size)
- 4. Cuddle seats in good condition
- 5. Large upholstered chair or love seat
  - 6. Colouring books and non toxic crayons
  - 7. Crib sheets and blankets
  - 8. Diaper pail with lid

If you can donate any of the above, please contsct JOAN HANNA at 259-8896, or bring them to the nursery at 11.00 Sunday morning.

Also needed are cribs or playpens. These must have been manufactured after 1975 and must meet all current safety standards. If you can donate either of these items, please contact DIANNE STEARNE at 281-2874.

With your kind assistance and generosity, the nursery can be a more pleasant and safe place for babies and toddlers. I will thank you in advance for your support.

Joan Hanna Cherub Nursery Coordinator.



Come and visit the historic Prince of Wales Teahouse at the E.P. Ranch near High River.

We will leave Christ Church at 10:30 a.m. by Greyhound bus and arrive at the ranch around noon where we will be served with a delicious home-made lunch. After lunch we can do a little exploring or laze around on lawn chairs, depending on our energy level! We will be back at Christ Church before 4 p.m. The charge is \$10 per person. We can only take 40 people so please reserve EARLY by phoning:

Jill Vass - 244-7121 or Sue Millikin - 243-2970

# CHRIST CHURCH LIBRARY

In reading Herbert O'Driscoll's "A Doorway in Time",
you not only feel as you would expect, transported back to
distant times and places, but you feel he brings faraway times
and places into your everyday life. Suddenly you realize what the author is
telling you, that the sacred is not something apart, it is here around you.

O'Driscoll's book is not a detailed description of his entire growing up. It is rather a series of events and occasions, that are doorways to a world that is timeless.

In his first chapter the author tells us how, in the summer of 1954 in a clochen (an ancient rude hut) on the Atlantic coast of Ireland, his decisio to pursue his calling in the new world was made. He thinks of those who have gone before him, and makes his resolve, secure in the knowledge that he walks in goodly company over well trodden ground.

The next few chapters deal with his childhood in Ireland. To grow up in the south of Ireland in the nineteen thirties was, he says, to inhabit a sacred universe. Behind or hidden in the visibilities and tangibilities of the everyday, another level of reality was always assumed. The seen was always surrounded by the unseen.

One of the writer's most cherished memories of childhood is his visit to his grandfather's farm. All children love farms, but an Irish farm seems to have a special magic. He tells of the thrill of driving to town in the donkey cart with grandfather, of delivering milk to the creamery, and visiting the post office with its notices in Gaelic and English.

The book is not long, a little over a hundred pages, but Herbert O'Driscoll manages to evoke a vivid picture of life in that part of Ireland fifty years ago, and his own spiritual journey to an acceptance of Protestantism in Ireland.

He sketches John the hired man who lives in a ramshackle thatched cottage near the farm, and works for grandfather all his life. He tells of the visit to the canon of St. Mary's. making his call carefully timed so as not to disturb the farm work. He tells how the parlour is opened and a delicious tea is provided for the event. He recounts what it meant to be Protestant in a largely Catholic Country.

He also manages to show "the convoluted ways by which we come to the partial understanding of our journey; how we come to intimations of the divine".

# Datsh family news

# MARRIAGES

we offer congratulations and best wishes to:

Hamlet Isha Pauls	E	Dale Katherine Wolbaum
Christopher Warwick Peirce	E	· Sydney Louise Cameron
Richard Andrew Molcan	E .	Mary Anne Thomas
David Allan Anderson	E	Diane Marilyn Burnard
Frederick Rex Fenwick	E	Lisa Marlene Sabo

#### BAPTISMS

We welcome with joy and gladness to the Christian Community of Christ Church:

Kathryn Jane Armstrong
Christina Sarah Francesca Ragona
John Bayne MacInnes
Christian Ng
David Ng
Nancy Claire Morin
Christa Louise Morin
Robert Scott Gourlay
Mark Bennett Johnson
Sharon Roxann Scheffelmaier

daughter of John & Peggy
daughter of Michael & Linda
son of Wallace & Margery
son of Haney & Sharon
son of Haney & Sharon
daughter of Michael & Barbara
daughter of Michael & Barbara
son of Barbara & Derek
son of Laurence & Jocelyn
daughter of Alfred & Rita

# DEATHS

May the souls of the Faithful Departed rest in peace. Rest eternal grant unto them O Lord, and let light perpetual shine upon them.

Albert Percival Drever Harvey James Cutler Lillian Davis Harry Edwards Gibson Jane Amelia Cuthbert



The Christ Church hiking group has several interesting summer hikes planned. On May 26th we will walk along the Bow River in the area of Edworthy Park and Point MacKay. Please meet at the home of Benita Hasslett (Ph. 283-1315),

320 Point MacKay Gardens, 2 p.m.

Benita has kindly offered to host refreshments following this walk. On June 23rd, the hike is to Heart Creek. We will leave directly after the 10 o'clock service from the church. Please bring a lunch. July 27th is the tentative date for a hike to Pigeon Mountain. Please watch the bulletin board and leaflet for details of this hike and for the August outing which is yet to be arranged.

Everyone is invited to come along on any of our outings. If you need a ride, or for further information, please call: Katie Tait 249-9900.

Shose of us involved with the "blapper" wish to say "Shamk upon" to all who have contributed in some way to our parish newsletter this past year. Please hete that our next deadline is Sept. 21st. Snaw Silley Sandy Flord Helen Juel

regram includes: The 9th Chandes & Handel Traise the Lord with Dre Boneent Chagan works purpormed by Johnsta - performed by Valie Jacques on the harpsichard Sickets: \$ 4.00 from any choir member the Rutor's discretionary fund.

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#### AN INVITATION TO YOU FOR OCTOBER 20TH

On Sunday, October 20th at 10 a.m. our two congregations join for a parish workshop. The Eucharist will begin at 10 a.m. and after the Homily those of us who wish to participate will leave, others will remain.

What will be done? We will be responding to preparation done by the members of the Music and Worship Committee. We will have an opportunity to discuss what our worship here at Christ Church means to us, the ways in which worship may give meaning to our lives, or perhaps the things we long to have which we feel are missing.

Why do this? Because worship belongs to us all. We are not merely spectators or listeners. We each offer praise, singing, prayer. Without any one of us the worship of Christ Church is that much poorer, quite irrespective of money or numbers or any such measurement.

Do you know that worship is the only activity of heaven mentioned in the Bible. Could it be because it is the most important thing in life?

When I first began to draw near to belief in God and even for some time after it had been given to me, I found a stumbling block in the demand so clamorously made by all religious people that we should 'praise' God; still more in the suggestion that God Himself demanded it...What do we mean when we say that a picture is 'admirable'?...The sense in which the picture 'deserves' or 'demands' admiration is rather this, that admiration is the correct, adequate or appropriate, response to it, that, if paid, admiration will not be 'thrown away', and that if we do not admire we shall be stupid, insensible, and great losers, we shall have missed something...God is that Object to admire which is simply to be awake, to have entered the real world; not to appreciate which is to have lost the greatest experience, and in the end to have lost all.

I did not see that it is in the process of being worshipped that God communicates His presence to men and women.

Reflections on the Psalms, ch.9

# CHRIST CHURCH - ELBOW PARK

# SERVICE SCHEDULE - FALL 1985

SEPT.	1	8.00 a.m.	10.00 a.m.		
	8	8.00 a.m.	10.00 a.m.		HOMECOMING
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	22	8.00 a.m.	9.30 a.m.	11.00 a.m.	
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	10	8.00 a.m.	BAPTISM 9.30 a.m.	11.00 a.m.	REMEMBRANCE
	77	8.00 a.m.		INS	CONSULTATION
	24	8.00 a.m.	9.30 a.m. FOLK MASS	11.00 a.m.	PATRONAL
DEC.	1	8.00 a.m.	9.30 a.m.	11.00 a.m.	7.30 p.m. ADVENT
	8	8.00 a.m.	9.30 a.m.	11.00 a.m.	PROCESSION .
	15	8.00 a.m.	10.00 a.m.		SUNDAY SCHOOL PAGEANT
	22	8.00 a.m.	9.30 a.m.	11.00 a.m.	LESSONS & CAROLS
	29	. 8.00 a.m.	10.00 a.m.		
			BAPTISM		,

# Stradicier School

# TO ALL PARISHIONERS

It has been suggested at Vestry that an explanation be given to the parish at large concerning the discontinuing of Sunday School at 11.00 a.m. Sunday Service.

At the end of last year, two thirds of the Sunday School staff announced that they would be unable to continue for varying reasons. Several notices re: the need for teachers in the fall were published in the Bulletin and the Clapper with no response.

The Christian Ed. Committee met twice to discuss the problem and organized a parish meeting to solicit opinions and ideas. It began to emerge that there was a team of teachers willing to develope and participate in an organized programme at 9.30 a.m. service. There was the added benifit that this service lent itself more easily to family worship and programnes. Creative ideas for family worship and instruction could be more readily introduced.

Because of limited personnel, it was decided to consolidate our resources at the 9.30 a.m. service.

However if parishioners who attend the ll.00 a.m. service will volunteer in adequate numbers to teach the classes, then a Sunday School at ll.00 a.m. could be organized.

Alan White.

# IMPORTANT SUNDAY SCHOOL DATES :

Assemblies: October 20, November 17, December 29. Rehersals for the Pageant: Nov. 24, Dec. 1, Dec. 8. Pageant: December 15th
Christmas Party: December 22.

# CHRIST CHURCH

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To all of us who worship at Christ Church ... A message about Anglicans in Mission

Within recent years a magnificent vision was forged into reality in our Anglican Church of Canada. It is named Anglicans in Mission and its achievements have already and will continue to change the life of our church in countless ways.

Already at the level of diocese and at the national level the effects are rippling out. There is much greater viability to the work of the northern dioceses. Many new kinds of ministry have been made possible in cities and countryside. Much needed augmentation is possible for pensions of clergy and church workers who began their ministry decades ago when pension arrangements were minimal and had become by today's standards pitiable.

The following paragraph is from a recent letter of the Primate:-

I would like to give a summary report on some financial aspects of our church. The contributions to Anglicans in Mission continue to flow in. We have now received more than \$31,500,000 in cash, over 78% of the original objective and over 50% of the documented pledges. About one half of this amount has been returned to Dioceses to be available for new work. We are in the midst of careful planning to carry forward the impetus generated by Anglicans in Mission. Contrary to the fears of many when Anglicans in Mission was launched, it has not resulted in a decrease in giving to the regular budget or to the Primate's Fund. Giving to the Primate's Fund in 1984, (no doubt in part due to the African situation), was more than double any previous year.

Anglicans in Mission as a vision and a project has manifestly been blessed. You are part of that blessing to the whole church as you continue your contributions. Thank you in the Name of the Lord.

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Herbert O'Driscoll Rector Lorraine Melchior Rector's Warden Frederick Valentine
People's Warden

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#### A GOOD STANDARD TO GROW BY

A small boy, in snow up to his waist struggles to follow his father for whom the snow is barely knee deep. The father, without looking back, says to the boy, "So you think this is bad! When I was your age, the snow used to come up to my waist!"

The same amount of snow means much more to the small boy than to his six-foot father. The same is true of our giving to God. For some of us a fairly small gift represents a much greater sacrifice than a larger gift for someone of greater wealth. But how are we to know what is the appropriate response to God?

The scriptural example is that of proportionate or percentage giving. The earl; iest people of God determined that they should honour God by returning a tithe, or one tenth of all they had to Mim. This standard has stood over the centuries as the biblical standard and has been reaffirmed by our Church.

Many of us have a long way to go before we reach this standard and it is probably impossible for us to alter our family budgets immediately to accommodate a tithe. But we can grow toward it. At the last General Synod a motion was passed which encouraged Church members to grow toward the tithe by increasing our giving each year by 1% of our income. If I gave 2% last year, I can try and give 3% this year and hopefully 4% next year. The Bishop and Diocese of Calgary have endorsed this programne. In this way we can increase our response to God's call to mission and still be good stewards of all our responsibilities.



# GIHE GIRLS CHOIR

The Girls' Choir of Christ Church was responsible for two happy performances in June and September. "Back at the Creekbank," a musical offering of songs and sayings, was presented to appreciative audiences.

Diction was good and tone was excellent. "Riddle me, Riddle me Ree," and "Humbly Grateful or Grumbly Hateful" should be in every Sunday School Repetoire. Simple, interesting words are set to cheery melodies.

Guest artist Reverend Herbert O'Driscoll delightfully portrayed Mr. Jenkins. Colourful scenery transformed the chancel into a pleasant rural meadow, complete with birds, rabbits and a rainbow. The wardrobe mistress is to be commended on the appropriate setting.

Kathryn Chapman conducted the girls in a loving and encouraging manner. Pianist Margaret Newman also contributed to the successful evening.

Special acknowledgements to Laurie Weldon, Joni Mallabone, Paul Chapman and Bob and Judy Griffiths.

The Creekbank kids wereCybile Creary, Jennifer Ashton, Sonja Howatt, Alison Aitken, Julien Stuart-Smith, Michelle Grandin, Gillian Ramsay, Phillippa Vass and Katie Vass.

Well Done:

Bev Bushell.

#### EVERY MEMBIR VISITATION 1985

This years' Visitat: on will take place on Sunday, November 3rd. At that time we will not only be visiting to answer questions, solicit comments and collect pledge cards, but we would like to draw a clear portrait of the make up of our parish through a short questionnaire. This will prove most valuable for planning upcoming programmes and events. Ine Visitation is the one time in the year when we try to individually contact all members of the parish. Please seriously consider volunteering a few hours of your time as a captain or visitor to this year's Every Member Visitation will be a success. 145 volunteers are needed.

Contact the Church office or:

David Wood (res)	22 3-5896	Sandra Jones	252-1062
Kevin Cronin	27 3-0939	David Banks	255-0619

# The Endowment Fund

The purpose of the Christ Church Endowment Trust is to receive gifts and bequests, the revenue from which will be used to fund pecific projects and to ensure from time to time that the fi ancial operating requirements of the Church can be met when egular sources of income are insufficient.

Gi ts of all sizes are most gratefully received an can be made at any time. Estate bequests may also e made to the fund. All contributions are deductibl from income for income tax purposes.

#### PASTORAL LETTER

#### TO THE CLERGY AND PEOPLE OF THE ANGLICAN CHURCH OF CANADA

The Bishops of the Church send greetings to all our people as we begin to use the new official Book of Alternative Services, authorized by the General Synod of 1983 at Fredericton, New Brunswick.

We write to all our people mindful that the Book of Common Prayer is the official prayer book of the Church but that, in line with most of the Anglican Communion and with other Christian traditions, new liturgical forms are being used. New expressions of faith and worship relevant to our understanding of God's purpose in this world, and adapted to the communication needs of our age have resulted in our Book of Alternative Services which offers new possibilities and resources for worship and nurture.

The Book of Alternative Services has been approved after fourteen years of experimentation. It combines an ecumenical dimension of worship together with the Common Lectionary, which should be of great value to the whole Church.

We are aware of the need for care and sensitivity in introducing the Book of Alternative Services into the life of the Church, and we ask the clergy to provide guidance and instruction on its contents and to encourage congregations to participate in its regular use and evaluation.

The opportunity is before us to use a new vehicle of liturgical expression and it is offered to the whole Church with the prayer that we might grow in faith and in the worship of God.

We commend it for personal and congregational use.

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#### **OUTREACH**

AND THEN THE KI G WILL ANSWER, "I TELL YOU THIS: ANYTHING YOU DID FOR ONE OF MY BROTHERS HERE, OWEVER HUMBLE, YOU DID FOR ME." St. Matthew 25:40

Yes. There is n outreach committee at Christ Church!

What is Outreac? We think it is loving concern leading to the service of others which is engaged in at home, work, school, society and church. It is volunteer an paid employment serving to meet needs within the parish, city, country a d world.

Outreach involv s individuals, groups and the parish as a whole - reaching out with financial, emotional, spiritual and physical help.

We believe that our <u>Committee's role</u> is to encourage, celebrate and facilitate Christ Church's ministry of outreach.

#### Our Goals are:

- 1. To work in cooperation with other Committees in order to assist in the overall imp ementation of the parish plan and to minimize duplication of tasks.
- 2. To help par shioners and groups to discern their gifts for service, and encours se their participation in outreach.
- 3. To serve as a liaison between Vestry and various organizations and individuals involved in outreach.
- 4. To co-ordinate and facilitate the work of various outreach organizations within the 'arish, but not to do their work for them.
- 5. To assist in identifying outreach opportunities and needs within and without the parish and communicate them accordingly.
- 6. To co-ordinate activities which will increase parish awareness of the work of outread, and opportunities for service.
- 7. To identify, recognize and celebrate the individuals and groups who are providing outreach services.
- 8. To serve a: a contact for community based volunteer and charitable organizations as well as individuals who may want to make the parish aware of their activities. e.g. Red Cross, Volunteer Centre.
- 9. To assist : 1 developing a skills bank.
- 10. To attempt to match identified needs with skills within the parish family.

Members of the Committee are: Barbara Haslam and John Lund (Vestry representati Barbara Fenwic , Carolyn Brown, Peggy Stauft, Lois Walker, Colleen Stainton and Liz Stilem 1 (Chairperson) Herb and Bob keep us on the 'straight and narrow

Fran. Gilley ha kindly agreed to let "Outreach" have a page in the Clapper on an ongoing asis. One of the ways of using this page is to ask you to

contribute to it by writing a paragraph or two about your own outreach or that of a friend. Telling us what you or they do and how we can join in or help in any way.

So please let us know what you and yours are up to, and also how we - the parish can support you.

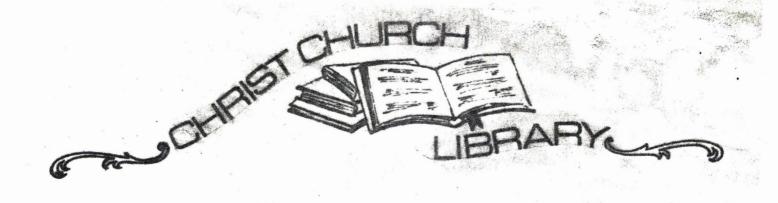
Thank you

Liz Stileman

Thomas Justinas -

Place a ring around November 22,23 and 24 when we celebrate the Festival of Christ The King. We plan a dinner dance Friday evening, a quiet day on Saturday and appropriate celebrations Sunday.

Our guest of honor will be Archbishop David Somerville, retired Bishop of New Westminster and a talented spiritual leader.



On the advice of one of our parishioners, the library has aquired a very interesting book entitled "When Bad Things Happen to Good People," written by an American Rabbi, Harold Kushner. Kushner wrote the book after the death of his son sho died at the age of fourteen from a rare disease called "Progeria"---premature aging. "Why doesn't God interfere and save good people from trouble and disaster?" the Rabbi asked. "Don't I deserve better after all my years of serving Him? Tragedies like this are only supposed to happen to selfish dishonest people."

The years passed and the kabbi gave a good deal of theought to this problem. Finally when he felt he saw a little more clearly the ways of God toward man, he wrote the book - a book that has helped a great many people through difficulty and despair. In it he points out that God has given us a wonderful orderly world. One of the things that makes the world livable is the fact that the laws of nature are precise, reliable, and always work the same way. Our Human bodies are miracles, not because they defy the laws of nature but because they obey them. "Have we any right to ask God to interfere spasmodically to suit us?" the Rabbi asks. "We have been given the world to make what we can of it," he continues," and although God will not arbitrarily interfere, He will work through and with us if we give Him a chance. People who pray for courage, for strength to bear the unbearable, find they have more strength and more courage than they ever believed they had."

We may not all agree with Rabbi Kushner's ideas and beliefs, but he gives us a great deal to think about in this small book. When people see life's unfairness and say, "There is no God" the Rabbi answers, "If there is no God, where then do we get our compassion, our sympathy, our fairness, our ideas of right and wrong?"



ADVENT BAZAAR AND TEA at Christ Church will be held on Friday, November 29, 1985. Ladies, we would appreciate your craft items, and your favorite jams, jellies and mincemeat for the gourmet table. Let us not forget our baking when the time comes. Admission \$1.00.

HELP NEEDED for Nicaragua's people through the Tools for Peace project. The following items are much needed:

Sewing macnines (new and used)

Snaps and domes

sewing machine parts

scissors

oil & tools for sewing machines

sewing needles

extra sewing machine needles

elastic

thread

thimbles

fabric (1 meter min.)

trim

buttons

wool

zippers

hooks and eyes

knitting needles

If you have any of these items, please take them to the Church for collection. Ask for Mike and he will show you where they are to be stored.

DO YOU HAVE AN EXTRA BEDROOM ? A grade X Priddis boy at W.C.H.S. would like board and room week-days with a family. He is a quiet academic (I.B. programne) and Musical(violin) student. If you can help, please call Susan Spoor, evenings at 931-3516.

<u>LADIES SELF-DEFENSE COURSE</u> conducted by Brian Bell. Once again we are offering a course on Self-Defense, to be conducted on a week-end. Kindly place your name on the list in the hall entrance. The date will be announced.



#### BAPTISMS

We welcome with joy and gladness to the Christian Community of Christ Church

Bryce Morgan Evans
Peter John Howard Carruthers
Stephen Gordon George Brown
Blythe Francesco Banister Brown
Stephanie Diana Tilston
Katherine Anne Undershultz
Adrian Mead Murphy
Kathryn Dawn Mainman

son of Barclay & Susanne
son of John & Carol
son of Stephen & Caroline
son of Blythe & Marina
daughter of John & Judith
daughter of Derick & Katherine
son of William & Andrea
daughter of Brian & Barbara

#### MARRIAGES

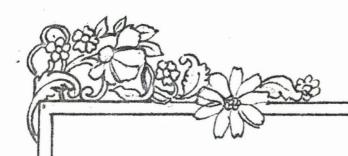
We offer congratulations and best wishes to:

Philip Donald Sprung	&	Lori Esther Rogers
Simon Conrad Loban	&	Susan Patricia Stuart
Gordon Howard Lowe	&	Loraine Elizabeth McNaught
William John Saunders	&	Elizabeth Anne Irwin
Brian Joseph Gooodfellow	& ·	Debra Jane French
David George Street	&	Caroline Elizabeth Curtis
Francis Robert Risler	&	Kim Elaine Peters
Michael Norman Bennett	&	Linda Joy Bradley
Robert Gray Whittaker	&	Cheryl Jill Patricia McCullough
Dale Lawrence Martin	&	Patricia Gail Tompkins
Andrew Clifford Steedman	&	Catherine Joan Selby
Paul David Wright	රිූ	Nancy Elizabeth Wilson
David Pernarowski	&	Tracy Brown
Joshua Walter Borger	&	Kellie Rae Zickefoose
John Howard Emery	&	Heather Anne McLeod
Grant Bradley Fagerheim	&	Penny Ann Hay
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#### DEATHS

May the souls of the Faithful Departed Rest in Peace. Rest Eternal grant unto them O Lord, and let light perpetual shine upon them.

Catherine Isabel Smith
Mary Eleanor Young
Kathleen Elizabeth McDonald
William Edgar Arthur Fisk
Paula Ebsworth
Margaret Sells
Dorothy Beverly Gail Johns
Charles Stirling Lee
John McNabb
Barbara Baker
Alfred John Goodman



#### SENIORS

Did you know that there is a special program for Seniors who, for one reason or another, don't get out very much? Every 1st and 3rd Wednesday of the month we have a group who attend the 10:30 a.m. service. Afterwards we repair to the Crump Room for coffee and a few gentle exercises, followed by lunch and a guest speaker, film show or other entertainment.

Rides are provided if needed.

If you are interested, contact Peggy Stauft 243-6821

Chris McLean 228-3281 or

Sue Millikin 243-2970

SENIORS

FALE LUNCHEON
Wednesday, October 30 at 12 noon

We hope to have a brief slide presentation after lunch showing the various renovations Christ Church has undergone over the years. Nostalgic memories:

If you would like to attend, please call Jill Vass,

244-7121, or Sue Milliken at 243-2970 as we have no phoning committee this year.

Transportation is available.

L'ARCHE CALGARY/L'ARCHE MEXICO FESTIVAL Sunday, October 6 12 noon - 4:30 p.m.

L'Arche Calgary is very grateful to the congreation of Christ Church for the use of the church and grounds on Sunday, October 6th, 12:00 to 4:30 p.m. for our festival. It will include a concert of traditional folk music and hymns in the church featuring Paula O'Driscoll, Donald Bell and Angie Dowling, as well as a folk festival for the whole family on the lawn. The festival will happen rain or shine, we'll just move inside in case of bad weather.

L'Arche is an international federation of Christian communities in which people who are handicapped share life with people who are not. It began over 20 years ago in France with founder Jean Vanier, son of Canadian Governor General Georges Vanier. Now there are over 70 communities in more than 15 countries. L'Arche in Calgary numbers 45 men, women and children. The Alberta Government funds L'Arche Calgary for the support of 12 handicapped people. In reality we support 25.

We are putting on a festival October 6 for three reasons:

First - We would like to introduce ourselves as a community,

to people in Calgary, to meet new people and make friends.

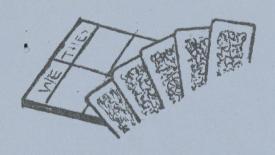
Second - We would like to raise money for the struggling new

L'Arche community of Mexico which has no source of funds.

Third - We would like to raise money for our own community. We are expanding and looking forward to welcomming new handicapped people most of whom are coming out of institutions.

The proceeds from the festival will be split between the two communities.

We hope you will come and meet us on October 6. For more information, please contact Jean Acheson, 253-2148.



# CHRIST CHURCH BRIDGE GROUPS

The marathon bridge schedules are now being drawn up for the winter season. we welcome additional players.

Couples wishing to play in the mixed evening marathon, contact:

Bunny Iverson 255-0947

Ladies wishing to play in the afternoon, join with a partner.

Muriel Ratcliff 243-3776

Ladies, too, enjoy the fellowship of "party "bridge on alternate Tuesday afternoons in the Crump Room. If you would like to be one of the approximately 50 players, why not give us a call?

Muriel Ratcliff 243-3776.



Hiking enthusiasts should mark the following dates on their calendars: Sat. Oct. 19th, the hike will be to Sundance Canyon and to the Cave and Basin at Banff, leaving Christ Church at 10 a.m.

Sunday Nov. 17th, we will hike in Fish Creek Park. We will leave directly after church, so bring a picnic lunch.

On Sat. Dec. 14th we plan to crosscountry ski in the Kananaskis and will end our day at the Jull's for refreshments.

Everyone is invited to join the hiking group. We offer lots of fresh air and good fellowship. For further informationcontact the church office.



FRIDAY OCTOBER 18th 7-9 p.m.

SATURDAY OCTOBER 19th 9.30 - 10.30 \$3.00 Bags

### \* WE NEED YOUR RUMMAGE:

clothing, shoes, furniture, toys, appliances, dishes, draperies, jewelry, anything clean and in good condition. Rummage can be taken to the Church any day 9.00 a.m. to 4.00 p.m. downstaires. The cut-off date for rummage arrival is Thurs. Oct. 17th.

# \* WE NEED YOUR HELP:

Volunteers are needed to set up and sort Thurs. Oct. 17th 7-9 p.m. and Friday October 18th 9a.m. until noon.

Volunteers are needed to sell Friday Oct. 18th 7-9 p.m. and to clean up Saturday 9 a.m. until noon.

# \* PHONE SHAWNA BANKS at 255-0619 IF YOU CAN HELP

If you are unable to bring your rummage to the church, please contact LORRAINE McLEAN 287-1837.



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November 1985
The Anglican Parish
of Christ Church
(ELBOW PARK)



#### OUTREACH

## At the Holy Cross Hospital

There are over 10 of our Parish serving voluntarily at the Holy Cross Hospital. Between them they give approximately 50 hours per week and are involved in various and valuable programs:

Some sit and cuddle babies in the intensive care nursery, giving warmth, stimulation and love to the wee ones. Others spend time with patients and their families bringing their comforting presence and carying out helpful tasks.

There is a volunteer instructor who orientates new volunteers, teaching them some skills as well as touring new staff around the Hospital. Another volunteer visits those of the Parish who are hospitalized.

A nurse volunteer orientates classes of five year olds to the Hospital, thus instilling confidence and reducing anxieties.

Another volunteer interviews ex-patients to ascertain their levels of satisfaction. And three volunteers visit one of the medical floors from time to time to provide entertainment for long term patients.

Added to these are the choirs which sing, often at Christmas, to the patients and staff.

All people using talents and time to reach out to those who are ill.

Liz Stileman co-ordinates the Volunteer Services at the "Holy". Her phone number is 228 8141 if you would like to know more about these and other programs.

Friends,

This edition of the Clapper comes to you in a season of ending, a season of celebrating, a season beginning.

The season of ending is in the fact that the church year is coming to an end. The season of Pentecost or Trinity draws to a close.

The season of celebration is because the feast that ends the church year is that of Christ the King and, since our name is Christ Church, this is our time to celebrate, to thank God for our history and present life, and to work towards what God has in store for us.

The season of beginning is of course Advent which is not far off by the time you read this, only a few short weeks. This Advent some exciting things. A children's pageant on Sunday December 15th at 10 a.m. and the lovely service of Advent Lessons and Carols on Sunday December 2 at 7.30 p.m.

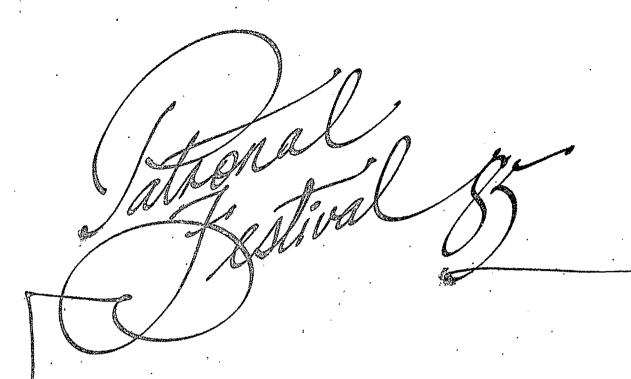
This edition of the Clapper comes to you at Visitation time. We are a Christian community asking each other for loyalty, support and mutual strength. Visitation is to ask you the extent to which you wish to add your gifts to God's people and to Christ's work.

God bless you.

Sincerely,

Herbert O'Driscoll

Rector



# PATRONAL FESTIVAL: NOVEMBER 22/23/24

### DINNER/DANCE: FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 22

This year we are fortunate in having reserved the attractive Commerce Club, 517 Centre St. for this important evening. Drinks will be at 6.30 p.m. for 7.30 p.m. Dinner. Cost \$23 per person. Tickets at the Church Office. Hope to see you there.

# QUIET DAY: SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 23

Bishop David Somerville, formerly Bishop of New Westminster, will lead a Quiet Day which will consist of two sessions so that people may make a choice in their busy schedules. They will be as follows:

9.30 Coffee, Donuts 10 - 12 noon First Session

#### OR

12.30 Refreshments 1'-3 p.m. Second Session

#### SUNDAY: NOVEMBER 24

We are fortunate to have Bishop David Somerville as the preacher for our special day. Services will be the normal times i.e. 8, 9.30 and 11 a.m. and the 9.30 a.m. service will be a Folkmass.

# CHRIST CHURCH - ELBOW PARK

## SERVICE SCHEDULE - FALL 1985

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NOV.	<b>3</b>	8.00 a.m.	9.30 a.m. BAPTISM	11.00 a.m.	VISITATION
	10	8.00 a.m.	9.30 a.m.	(11.00 a.m.)	REMEMBRANCE
	17	8.00 a.m.	9.30 a.m.	11.00 a.m.	
	24	8.00 a.m.	9.30 a.m. FOLK WASS	11.00 a.m.	PATRONAL
DEC.	1	8.00 a.m.	9.30 a.m.	11.00 a.m.	7.30 p.m. ADVENT
	8	8.00 a.m.	9.30 a.m.	11.00 a.m.	PROCESSION
	15	8.00 a.m.	10.00 a.m.		SUNDAY SCHOOL PAGEANT
	22	8.00 a.m.	9.30 a.m.	11.00 a.m.	LESSONS & CAROLS
	29	8.00 a.m.	10.00 a.m.	,	,
			BAPTISM		

IMPORTANT CHANGE: SUNDAY NOV. 17

The Christian Education Workshop will be held later in the year. This means that services on November 17 will be as usual - 8, 9.30 & 11 a.m.

1986 Church Calendars
Now on sale in the Church Office.
\$3 each.



# Standay School

The <u>Christ Church Christmas Pageant</u> will be held Sunday, December 15th at 10 a.m. (please note the change in the service schedule).

The first rehearsal will take place on Sunday, November 17th at the 9:30 a.m. service. Subsequent rehearsals will be held Sunday, November 24th, December 1st and 8th. The dress rehearsal is Saturday, December 14th at 10 a.m.

If you would like to help make this the best Christmas pageant ever, please call Mary Jardine (243-5617) or Wendy Leitch (246-6049).

CHILDREN MAKING A DIFFERENCE...The kindergarten-primary Sunday School class is issuing a challenge to the various parish groups to do something special for the Calgary Interfaith Food Bank box during the Christmas season. The children have made special banks and are saving their money earned from chores, etc. Every penny counts! Won't you take up the challenge?

CHRISTMAS PARTY...The annual Sunday School Christmas party will be held Sunday, December 22nd at the 9:30 a.m. service. Parents who would like to help, please telephone Wendy Leitch (246-6049).

# Timely Topics

November 7th - GROWING IN THE SPIRIT: "Christians & Meditation", a set of three workshops with Engeline Piet on Thursday evenings at 7:30 p.m. A small charge. Call Pat Curtis 286-5127 for information and to register.

November 9th - THE FELLOWSHIP GROUP will re-commence at 7 p.m.

in the Crump Room for a pot luck supper. We will
be shuffling our small groups. Here's an opportunity to mix with
and meet longer term parishioners and new parishioners. Old, young
single, married - all invited to join us. Some of the activities
planned by last year's groups included coffe and dessert, Saturday
afternoon Jazz at the King Eddie, a quiet walk. For information
call Beverley Bushell at 252-3976.

"EARLY BIRD" BIBLE STUDY - at 6:45 a.m. every Wednesday until November 20. Coffee & muffins.

THURSDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY - 10 a.m. Coffee 9:30. All welcome.

HOME BIBLE STUDY: - every second Wednesday at 8 p.m. a group of men and women meet in a home for Bible Study. Interested? Please call Dennis & Gail Burns, 283-5317.

November 23rd - A seminar conducted by Marlene Wilson on THE CHURCH and VOLUNTEERS. Interested? Call Wendy Leitch 246-6049.

November 17th - The Hiking Club invites you to join us for a hike in Fish Creek Park. We'll leave directly after church, so bring a picnic lunch. Saturday, December 14th, we plan to cross-country ski in the Kananaskis and will end our day at the Jull's for refreshments. Everyone welcome for lots of fresh air and good fellowship. For informations contact the church office, 243-0103.

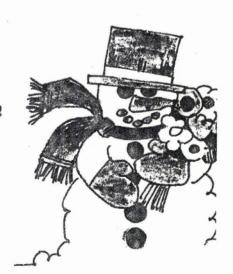
#### EVERYBODY WINS!!...

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CASHEW NUTS, TEA, COFFEE, CASHEWNUT BUTTER - yummmm!! You get tasty treats. All profit is returned to the small scale independent farmers and co-ops which produce these products in third world countries.

On sale after 9:30 & 11 a.m. services December 8th.



# Book Review - Edith Hunter

Sarah Patton Boyle's book, <u>The Desert Blooms</u>, carries the sub-title, "a personal adventure in growing old creatively". The word "adventure" is well chosen because there is nothing tame or sedate in Mrs. Boyle's attitude towards her declining years.

In her preface, the author says, "I can honestly say now, that the experience of growing old is one that I deeply value. It's all very fascinating as well as being painful. It's like exploring a new country full of new sights, new problems, new dangers, in which one can't communicate very well and must learn a new language. When her job as wife and mother was finished, Mrs. Boyle decided to move from the small town where she had lived for many years to the suburbs of Washington. She felt the capital offered her more opportunities for the expansion of her talents and interests. Family responsibilities had elbowed her more personal yearnings aside. Now she could express her whole self. She says, "I assumed I was a growing plant about to be transplanted into new ground. I wanted to bring into full function the person I was created to be. I was certain my most productive years lay ahead. It was as though all that had happened was only the first two acts of a significant drama; act three was about to begin".

Unfortunately, everything didn't work out as rosily as Mrs. Boyle anticipated. With no old friends nor relatives to consult when difficulties arose, she found she was not quite as self-reliant as she had supposed. She also found that there are clear parallels between the experience or being old and of being black in twentieth cantury America.

The most devastating experience of all for Patty Boyle came when she attended a seminar conducted by a well-known theologian. Here she heard her most cherished religious beliefs criticized and questioned. The experience left her dismayed and upset for many months. However, she recovered her equilibrium, her faith was restored and her book ends on a positive note.

### BAPTISMS

We welcome with joy and gladness to the Christian Community of Christ Church:

Robert Thomas Sparrow

Amy Marie Dedeluk

Christine Elizabeth Sharman Cooley Daughter of Barrie & Fiona

Ashley Katherine Capper

Bryan William Maniotakis

Son of Thomas & Karen

Daughter of Kenneth & Dana

Daughter of Barry & Theresa

Son of Vasilios & Wendy

#### MARRIAGES

We offer congratulations and best wishes to:

George Dietrich Mucalov

& Janice Irene Norrie

Frank Joseph Turcato

Mary Jane Seton Bartram

Darryl Bryan Linney

& Gloria Jane Baer

Martin John Whittle

&c Rosemary Marion Joan Bryant

Robert Larry Zifkin

Leslie Jane Musselwhite &

Andrew Bruce MacDonald

&c Heather Joan Gilley

Franco Emilio Falcone

Susan Louise Safronek &

Andrew Robert Clark

Stephanie Jill Cameron 80

# DEATHS

May the souls of the Faithful Departed rest in peace. Rest eternal grant unto them O Lord, and let light perpetual shine upon them.

> William Joshua Gamble Peter Campbell Craigie Annie Barrington John Haverstock



ADMISSION \$1.00

BABYSITTING AVAILABLE

PLEASE JOIN US!